DEBATES

THE CHAIRMAN: The Pages will distribute Amendment S. This will be Amendment No. 21.

For what purpose does Delegate Weidemeyer rise?

DELEGATE WEIDEMEYER: Mr. President, I wanted to ask the Chairman of the Committee a question for the record.

I thought that when garbage was referred to that that provision in the constitution that Delegate Case sought to strike was pure garbage and I had no idea but what the amendment would not prevail, but since it has prevailed and it mentions the committees, I wonder if the Chairman would state for the record whether or not that includes the vote on subcommittees and subcommittees of subcommittees.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gallagher.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: You said the amendment prevailed. The amendment had not prevailed.

DELEGATE WEIDEMEYER: I meant to say I thought the amendment would prevail, and I did not request to speak on it before. Now, since the amendment is lost, and the garbage is still in the constitution, I think it ought to be further explained.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gallagher.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: This is a highly indignant position I find myself in but I would say, Delegate Weidemeyer, that it is not the intention of the Committee that this particular section shall apply to votes of the subcommittee but only committees themselves.

THE CHAIRMAN: For what purpose does Delegate Wheatley rise?

DELEGATE WHEATLEY: I would like to further pursue the question raised by Delegate Weidemeyer with Delegate Gallagher.

THE CHAIRMAN: State the question.

DELEGATE WHEATLEY: Would it not be true then, Mr. Chairman, that sub-committees then could handle these issues that we are so interested in seeing visible and never get to a full committee vote and thwart it; the whole thing is, the legislature is inclined to be of that frame of mind.

THE CHAIRMAN: That is hardly a question intended for clarification, I would say, Delegate Wheatley. That is debate.

DELEGATE WHEATLEY: Mr. Chairman, I think the intent stated by the Com-

mittee was to give advisability and as a result of the question—

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THE CHAIRMAN: That may be and your question would have been proper while the amendment was under discussion but I say that I hardly think this is proper now. It is a matter of clarification. I think it is a continuation of debate on the amendment.

Delegate Wheatley.

DELEGATE WHEATLEY: Mr. Chairman, I was under the impression the Committee intended to work out a compromise on this and, therefore, I would suggest that any comment in order of compromise would be in order.

THE CHAIRMAN: Make your suggestion to the Committee. I do not want to prolong the session by further colloquy between the Chairman and the delegates.

Delegate Wheatley.

DELEGATE WHEATLEY: Mr. Chairman, my suggestion is that if we are to be consistent in advisability, as the suggestion of the Committee is before us, that the answer of Delegate Gallagher to Delegate Weidemeyer suggests there are many devious ways by which the legislature, if it chooses to do so, can avoid the advisability sought by this provision.

THE CHAIRMAN: Please destroy the amendment that has just been distributed marked S. Delegate James tells me he has had it reprinted.

Will the pages please distribute the amendment marked A. This will be Amendment No. 21.

Any delegates who have not received a copy of the amendment please indicate to the pages.

For what purpose does Delegate Case rise?

DELEGATE CASE: Mr. Chairman, I have, first, a small statement, then a question to Delegate Gallagher that goes to the whole subject matter that we are discussing here this afternoon and I wonder if he would yield.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gallagher.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Delegate Gallagher, with the greatest respect for your observa-